## Smith River Rancheria

Wind & Biomass Power Generation Feasibility

DOE Tribal Energy Program
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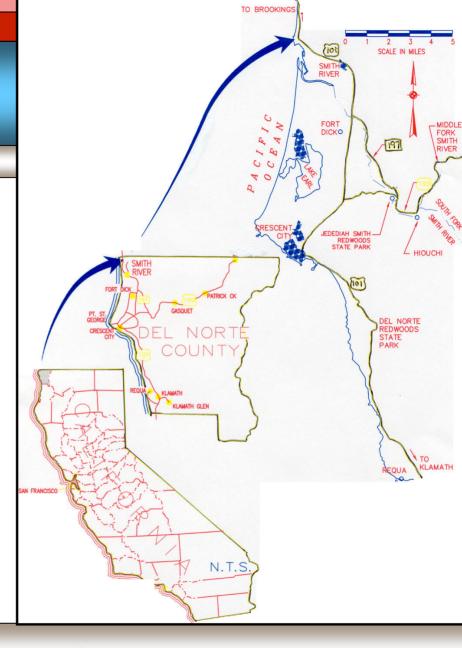


## Smith River Rancheria

- Coastal Community of 600
- Members Living in Oregon
- Next Door to Booming Community
- Additional Development Opportunities

## Location

- Northern California Location
- Members in Oregon
- Multiple Jurisdictions
  - -Federal
  - Del Norte County
  - -Curry County



## Location

- Coastal Setting
- Wind Rich Area



## Location

- Rancheria Location
  - Forested
  - Near Forest ProductsCompany



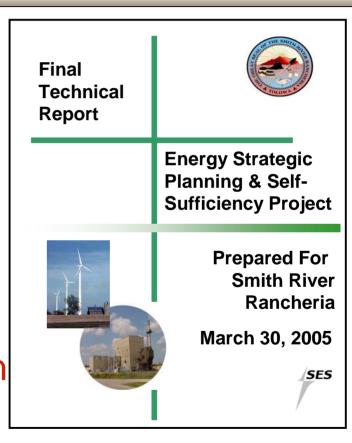
# Past Development

- Casino
- Gas Mart
- Community Center
- Head Start and Day Care Facility
- Pursuing Wastewater Treatment
- Plans for Six Other Tribal Facilities



## Past Study

- Energy Planning and Selfsufficiency Study
  - Best Technology Options
  - Reduce Power Cost
  - Energy Self-sufficiency
  - Utilize Natural Resources
  - Establish Energy Organization
  - Training



## **Project Overview**

- Determine Feasibility of Power Generation
  - Technical
  - Economic
  - Biomass
  - Wind

## **Participants**

Smith River Rancheria

Russ Crabtree

- Jon Grant

Nita Rolfe

Dorothy Perry

**Tribal Administrator** 

**Grants & Contracts Officer** 

**Program Coordinator** 

**Administrative Assistant** 

# Participants (Continued)

- Outside Expertise
- Multiple Experts Evaluating Feasibility
  - Higher Quality Results
  - More Creative Solutions
  - Better Access to Other Strategic Partners
- Nurture Partnerships

# Participants (Continued)

#### Consultants

- Greg Retzlaff, Strategic Energy Solutions, Inc.
  - Lead Consultant, Economic, Benefits, Biomass
- Leonard Gold, L. S. Gold & Associates, Inc.
  - Transmission, Interconnect, Benefits, Biomass
- Stephen Anderson, Evergreen Energy Corporation
  - Utility, Power Marketing, Wheeling, Standby Power

# Participants (Continued)

- Consultants (Continued)
  - David F Luck, Luck Variable Resources
    - Wind, Operation & Maintenance
  - Terry Thomas, Environmental Management Associates
    - Environmental Benefits, Impacts, Permitting Plan
  - JD Williams, Tribal Law Office
    - Deregulation, Jurisdiction, Community Awareness, Community Support Strategies

## **Participants**

- Possible Partnerships
  - Local Forest Products Firm
  - Incumbent Utility Pacific Power, California
  - Regional Cooperative Coos-Curry Electric
  - Energy Funds
  - Independent Power Producers (IPP's)

## Objectives

- Economical & Technical Feasible
- Evaluate Wind & Biomass
- Tribal Energy Load Assessment
- Community Need For Energy vs. Export
- Conservation Opportunities
- Power Market Assessment
- Site-specific Resource Monitoring

## Match Tribal Objectives

- Energy Vision Statement & Guiding Principles
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
- Support Tribal Energy Objectives
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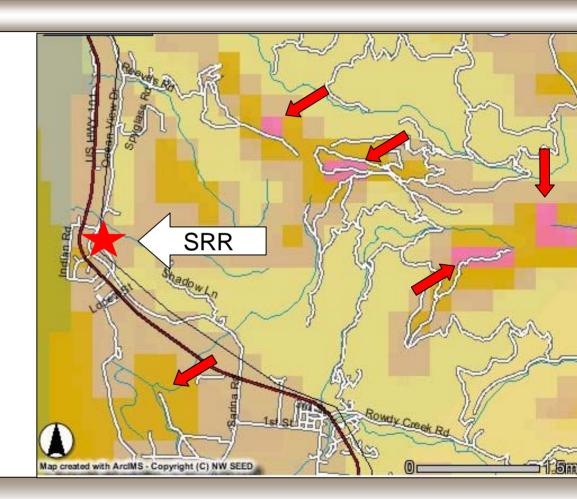
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- Wind Resources
  - Resource Available
  - Preliminary Sites Identified



# **Background Information**

- Potential Sites
- Utilized Easiest if Close
- Sell to Market

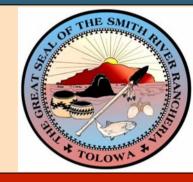


## **Background Information**

- Biomass
  - Resource Available
  - Existing Forest Products Industry
  - Possible Cogeneration Partnership

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